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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Statement of the Substance of the Interview; and
2. One (1) return postcard.

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Sir:

Applicants provide herein a statement of the substance of the interview conducted between the Examiner, the Supervisory Examiner, the Patent Practice Specialist, Applicants' representatives and Dr. Thi-Sau Migone held on October 9, 2002.

During the interview, Applicants discussed the teachings found in several references cited by Applicants' in support of the utility of the claimed invention. In particular, the teachings found in Warzocha *et al.*, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.* 242:376-379 (1998) and Migone *et al.*, *Immunity* 16:479-492 (2002) were discussed.

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